
Appendix A. AIX Device Table

AIX standard devices are special files. The following table lists and describes some special files. For more detailed information on special files, see *AIX Operating System Technical Reference*.

Special File	Description
appltrace	Application trace pseudo-device driver
config	Configuration pseudo-device driver
console	Console device
error	Error-logging interface
fd[num]	Diskette drive; block device
fp	Floating-point function
hd[num]	Fixed disk drive; block device
hft	High function terminal
kmem	Kernel memory image
lp[num]	Line printer
mem	Memory image
null	The null device
nvram	Non-volatile memory image
osm	System message interface
prf	AIX Operating System profiler
rfd[num]	Diskette drive; raw device
rh[num]	Fixed disk drive; raw device
rmt[num]	Streaming tape
termio	General terminal interface
tty[num]	Controlling terminal interface
unixtrace	Kernel trace event pseudo-device driver
vrmtape	VRM trace event pseudo-device driver

Figure 13. AIX Standard Devices (Special Files)